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VIA ELECTRONIC-DELIVERY

Charles L.A. Terreni
Chief Clerk & Administrator
Public Service Commission of South Carolina
101 Executive Center Drive
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Re: Application of Progress Energy Carolinas, Incorporated for Approval of Unmetered Service Rider US-4
Docket No. 2009-192-E

Dear Mr. Terreni:

The Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") has reviewed the above-referenced filing and has no objection to the Application of Progress Energy Carolinas, Incorporated ("Company") for Approval of Unmetered Service Rider US-4. In addition, the Company is requesting a waiver of the meter reading requirement of S.C. Code Regs. 103-339(2) as rendering a meter reading is not possible under this Rider. ORS has no objection to the Company's waiver request in this instance. This Rider will be available to the Company's Small General Service Schedule customers, and the Company will bill the customer for the normal Basic Facilities Charge of \$9.10 plus a charge for monthly estimated usage. The estimate is derived from the customer's anticipated electrical requirement of the equipment. The Rider is advantageous to both the customer and the Company because the Company avoids the cost of installing the meter, and the customer can have the equipment installed at a lower cost.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments in this matter.

Sincerely,

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